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# MULTIMEDIA UNIVERSITY

## FINAL EXAMINATION

TRIMESTER 1, 2017/2018

### **DCE5038 – ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENT AND INSTRUMENTATION TECHNIQUES**

(ALL GROUPS)

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9.00 a.m. –11.00 a.m.  
(2 Hours)

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT**

1. This question paper consists of 4 pages.
2. Answer **ALL** questions.
3. Please write all your answers in the answer booklet provided.

**QUESTION 1 [25 MARKS]**

a) Give the definition of measurement system. [2 marks]

b) Figure 1 shows an analog moving-coil ammeter.

- i) Explain the three basic elements of measurement system. [6 marks]
- ii) Identify the functional elements of the instrument in Figure 1. [3 marks]

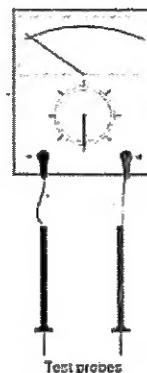


Figure 1

c) Explain and write the formula for the following terms:

- i) Static error. [3 marks]
- ii) Relative static error. [3 marks]

d) Convenience is one of the aspects that needs to be considered in selection of instruments. Define two conditions of instrument that are considered to be convenient. [4 marks]

e) Explain the differences between monitoring type and controlling type instruments. [4 marks]

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**QUESTION 2 [25 MARKS]**

a) State **three** indicating instruments that can be used in direct current measurement. [3 marks]

b) Attraction type moving coil instrument can be used in both alternating current and direct current measurement. List **four** steps that can explain how it works. [8 marks]

c) A dynamometer wattmeter with a current coil having resistance of  $0.1 \pm 0.005 \Omega$  and a pressure coil with a resistance of  $6500 \pm 10 \Omega$  is connected to a load as shown in Figure 2. The current that flows through the load is  $12 \pm 0.25 \text{ A}$  while the voltage across it is  $250 \pm 2 \text{ V}$  with unity power factor. Find the following along with the limiting error:

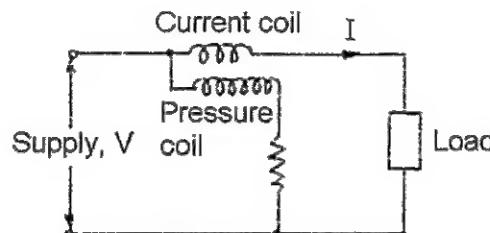


Figure 2

i) Power consumed by load.

[7 marks]

ii) Power lost to the coil

[7 marks]

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## QUESTION 3 [25 MARKS]

a) A Hay bridge in Figure 3 operates at a supply frequency of 100Hz is balanced when the components are  $C_3 = 0.1\mu\text{F}$ ,  $R_1 = 1.26\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 75\Omega$  and  $R_4 = 500\Omega$ . For the measured inductor, calculate:

i) the inductance. [3 marks]

ii) the resistance. [3 marks]

iii) Q factor. [3 marks]

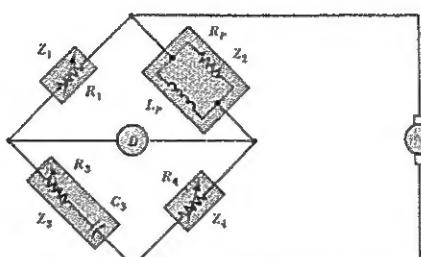


Figure 3

b) Figure 4 shows a Wheatstone bridge circuit with  $R_1 = 2\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 4\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 7\text{k}\Omega$  and  $R_4 = 20\text{k}\Omega$ . Given that internal resistance of the galvanometer is  $300\Omega$ .

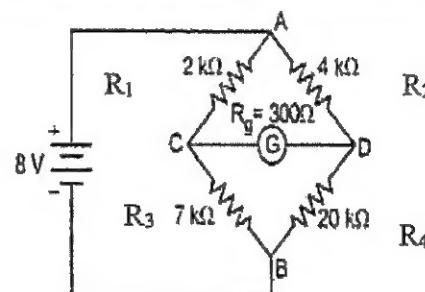


Figure 4

i) What is the condition to achieve balance circuit? [2 mark]

ii) Is the circuit balanced? Prove. [2 marks]

iii) Calculate current through the galvanometer as shown above. [8 marks]

c) In measurement of resistance using substitution method, a standard resistance,  $S$ , of  $0.5\text{ M}\Omega$  is used. The galvanometer resistance is  $10\text{ k}\Omega$ . When connected to the unknown resistance,  $R$ , it will show 41 divisions in the galvanometer. Then, when it is connected to standard resistance,  $S$ , the galvanometer shows 51 divisions. Calculate the measured value of  $R$ .

[ 4 marks]

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**QUESTION 4 [25 MARKS]**

a) An iron ring with a  $15 \text{ mm}^2$  cross-sectional area and a mean length of 0.7 m is wound with a magnetizing winding of 221 turns. A secondary coil with 321 turns of wire is connected to a ballistic galvanometer having a constant of  $2 \mu\text{C}$  per scale division. The total resistance of the secondary circuit is  $1.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ . On reversing a current of 4 A in the magnetizing winding, the galvanometer shows a deflection of 120 scale divisions. Calculate the flux density in the specimen and the value of permeability at this flux density.

[8 marks]

b) A transducer uses two quartz diaphragms of area  $750 \text{ mm}^2$  separated by a distance of 3.5mm. If the permittivity of quartz is  $40.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$ , find:

i) The capacitance.

[3 marks]

ii) Proof when the distance is increased to 4mm, the capacitance is also decreased.

[2 marks]

c) A linear potentiometer is 50 mm long and is uniformly wound with a wire having a resistance of  $10,000 \Omega$ . Under normal conditions, the wiper is at the center of the potentiometer. Find the linear displacement with reference to the center position if the resistance of the potentiometer is  $2300\Omega$  and  $5800\Omega$ . Are the two displacements in the same direction?

[5 marks]

d) A platinum resistance thermometer has a resistance of  $140.5 \Omega$  and  $100.0 \Omega$  at  $100^\circ\text{C}$  and  $0^\circ\text{C}$  respectively. If the resistance becomes  $305.3 \Omega$  when it is in contact with a type of gas, determine the temperature of that gas.

[5 marks]

e) A strain gauge changes resistance in response to an applied force. A nickel wire strain gauge having a Poisson's ratio of -6.55 is compressed and the strain is -4 microstrain. The resistance of the gauge is  $100 \Omega$  before being strained three general types of transformer core. Calculate the gauge factor  $G_f$  of the gauge if the change in the value of resistivity when it is compressed is negligible.

[2 marks]

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